

Paul Herring diary

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Summary Information

Repository	Rare Books and Manuscripts
Creator	Herring, Paul, 1852-1917
Title	Paul Herring diary
Date	1873
Extent	0.01 Cubic feet 1 folder
Language	English
Language of Materials	Materials in English and German.
Text [Folder]	S0640

Preferred Citation

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Biographical Note

Paul Herring was born on April 10, 1852 in Germany to Dr. Frederick and Amelia Herring. In 1855, he and his family moved to the United States, eventually settling in Goshen, Elkhart County, Indiana. Herring studied medicine under his father, but never practiced as a physician. He lived the remainder of his life in Goshen, before committing suicide on November 20, 1917.

Sources:

Ancestry.com. "Paul Herring." *1870 United States Federal Census*. Accessed October 7, 2015. <http://search.ancestrylibrary.com>.

"Paul Herring Commits Suicide by Hanging in Shed." *Goshen Daily Democrat*, November 21, 1917, 1.

Scope and Contents

This collection includes 97 photocopied pages of Paul Herring's 1873 diary. Herring's entries are in both English and German and he refers to himself as "the writer". Most entries start with a description of the weather and they relate daily activities of his family and himself. Remarks about farming activities are a common theme, but he also describes special days such as Decoration Day (May 30), Independence Day, Thanksgiving, and Christmas. Also included are hymns in German, and poems by Burns, Wordsworth, Byron, Longfellow, Browning, Tennyson, and many others.

Arrangement

This collection is arranged chronologically.

Administrative Information

Publication Information

Rare Books and Manuscripts

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Custodial History

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Accruals

No further additions are expected.

Processing Information

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Controlled Access Headings

Genre(s)

- Diaries
- Hymns

Geographic Name(s)

- Goshen (Ind.)

Subject(s)

- Christianity
- Family life
- Farming
- German language
- Poetry